

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 959

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Dr. Polly Sparks Turner, who is retiring after many years of dedicated service with Texas Southern University; and

WHEREAS, Associate professor and director of the health care administration graduate program, Dr. Turner is an inspiring and gifted teacher who captures the imagination and attention of her students; and

WHEREAS, As an administrator, Dr. Turner has served Texas Southern University creatively and with dedication; among her many accomplishments, she has been instrumental in bringing grants from various sources to the college, designed the college's first summer academy program for pharmacy students, and authored the proposal for the first graduate program in the College of Pharmacy's 56-year history; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Turner has served with distinction on numerous departmental, college, and university committees and has actively participated in professional organizations and conferences; she has contributed immeasurably to the development of the health care administration program at Texas Southern University; and

WHEREAS, An exemplary educator, Dr. Turner is admired and respected by her students and colleagues, and her presence at Texas Southern University will be greatly missed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 80th Legislature, hereby commend Dr. Polly Sparks Turner on her exceptional service to Texas Southern University and our state and extend to her best wishes for the retirement years ahead; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for her as an expression of high regard from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on May 3, 2007.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate